## COMPARISON OF APEL (A) AND APEL (C)

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| **Appointment of HEPs**     | • HEPs ARE NOT REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR APPROVAL to accept APEL(A) students. | • HEPs ARE REQUIRED TO APPLY FOR MQA APPROVAL to conduct APEL(C).  
  • PILOT HEPs:  
    i. OUM  
    ii. WOU  
    iii. UiTM  
    iv. INTI International University |
| **Fees Paid by Students**   | • FEES charged to students for APEL(A) assessment are STIPULATED by MQA:  
  1. Certificate/Diploma: RM155  
  2. Bachelor’s Degree: RM250  
  3. Master’s Degree: RM370 | • FEES for assessment charged to students for APEL(C) are STIPULATED by HEPs. |
| **Application for APEL Assessment** | • Candidates are required to SUBMIT the application for APEL(A) certification to MQA or PUSAT PENILAIAN APEL | • Students are required to SUBMIT the application for APEL(C) assessment to the HEPs |
| **Assessment Instrument**   | • ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENT OF APEL(A) is standardized and administered nationwide. | • ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS OF APEL(C) OF THE HEPs ARE VARIED depending on the nature of the course and students'/HEPs' preference. |
| **Period of Appointment/ Approval** | • OPEN-ENDED                                                               | • 5 years                                                               |
| **Basic Requirements**      | 1. ONLY APPLICABLE TO MALAYSIAN  
  2. Pass the Aptitude Test and Portfolio  
  3. MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENTS:  
    a) Certificate – 19 years of age  
    b) Diploma – 20 years of age  
    c) Bachelor’s Degree – 21 years of age  
    d) Master’s Degree – 30 years of age  
    e) Doctoral Degree – 35 years of age | 1. OPEN TO ALL  
  2. Pass APEL(C) assessment  
  3. NO MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENTS |
| **References**              | 1. Guidelines to Good Practices: Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning  
  2. APEL Handbook for Learners | Guidelines to Good Practices: APEL for Credit Award [APEL(C)] |
| **Administrator of Assessment** | Coordination & Quality Assurance Reference Division                      | Standards Division                                                     |